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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: 1614

MICHAEL PORAT

Examiner: T. E. Betton

Serial No.: 10/627,968

Filed: July 28, 2003

For: PROPHYLACTIC LUBRICATING COMPOSITION

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed September 25, 2006, Applicant makes the following election of species with traverse:

- (A1) propylene glycol or glycerin;
- (B2) digluconate salt; and
- (C1) methyl paraben.

Applicant believes that the requested election is overly restrictive. Thus, Applicant does not believe the difference between chlorhexidine gluconate and chlorhexidine digluconate to be significant, and further does not believe the difference between methyl paraben and propyl paraben to be significant. For example, these parabens are typically used in combination in compositions.

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Thus, Applicant requests that species (B1) and (B2) and
species (C1) and (C2) be considered to be elected.

Respectfully submitted,



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